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In re Reissue Application of:

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Appln. Serial No.: 08/051,899  
(for Reissue of U.S. Patent  
No. 4,998,531)

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For: IMPLANTABLE N-PHASIC  
DEFIBRILLATOR OUTPUT  
BRIDGE CIRCUIT

Art Unit: 3305

Examiner: G. Manuel

Atty Docket: 47076-382

RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ACTION  
UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

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Honorable Commissioner of  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action dated February 15, 1994, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper No. 8), Applicants now appear. The present application has been withdrawn from issue and prosecution has been reopened to allow Applicants an opportunity to submit a Supplemental Reissue Declaration and to comply with formal requests of the Examiner.

Enclosed herewith is a Supplemental Reissue Declaration under 37 CFR §1.175. The present reissue declaration, on page 5 thereof, clearly states that the errors and/or mistakes as referred to therein have arisen "without any deceptive intention on the part of Applicants."

The Examiner has noted that Paper No. 6, filed by Applicants on January 7, 1994, states that Applicants offered to surrender the original patent. The Examiner also states that Applicants did not tender the original, ribbon copy patent. However, Applicants have surrendered the original ribbon copy patent in their follow-up

letter dated January 10, 1994, to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. A photocopy of the **Offer to Surrender by Assignee and Surrender of Original Patent**, a photocopy of the United States patent ribbon copy, and a photocopy of our postcard showing a date stamp by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is attached hereto.

Additionally, and in accordance with the Examiner's request, an Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith on PTO Form 1449. The Information Disclosure Statement cites documents which were made of record in the prior application, which matured into U.S. Patent No. 4,998,531.

All rejections of the Examiner have thus been complied with, properly traversed, or rendered moot. Thus, it now appears that the application is in consideration for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions after reviewing this Response, he is cordially invited to call the undersigned attorney so that this case may receive an early Notice of Allowance.

Favorable consideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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